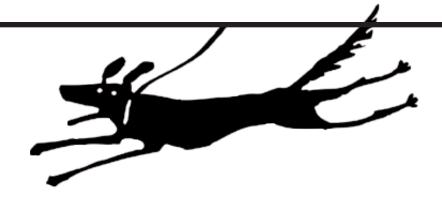
Santa Monica Mountains

National Recreation Area National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior

Enjoying the Park with Your Dog



anta Monica Mountains National Recreation Area has many scenic spots and open spaces for you and your dog to enjoy together. Whether you share a tranquil creekside stroll or a jog along the beach, always be aware of your surroundings and considerate of others. It takes a cooperative effort to make the park safe and comfortable for everyone.

When you bring your dog to the park, please remember:

- To take plenty of water and food, for you and for your dog
- To clean up after your dog
- To never leave your pet unattended and tied to an object, or in a vehicle without ventilation and water
- To keep your dog on a leash and under control



Why Should Your Dog Be on a Leash?

For the Safety of Your Dog

Your dog can become trapped or injured while running, digging or jumping. Your dog could get bitten by a rattlesnake or even another dog. Your dog can be exposed to ticks, poison oak or other plants that have thorns or burrs. With a leash, your pet will be less likely to encounter these dangers.

For the Safety of Wildlife

Animals may be flushed out of nesting sites or burrows by your dog. A dog's quick dig can destroy a wild animal's home.

For the Safety of People

Some people, particularly children, are afraid of dogs–even friendly ones.



It's the Law

Federal, state and county laws* require dogs to be on a leash. Please be aware that leashes, even retractable ones, must be six feet or less in length.

^{*} Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2.015(a)(2). This regulation helps us protect and preserve the natural landscape.

Areas That Allow Dogs on Leash Within Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area

Leashes, even retractable ones, must be 6 ft. or less in length. In order to protect natural and cultural resources, pets are required to stay on trails, roads and developed areas (campgrounds and parking lots). Dogs are not allowed in buildings (except aid dogs) and where posted.

National Park Service

Arroyo Sequit

Castro Crest

Cheeseboro/Palo Comado Canyons

Circle X Ranch

Deer Creek Canyon

Paramount Ranch

Peter Strauss Ranch

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa

Rocky Oaks

Solstice Canyon

Zuma/Trancas Canyons

Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy

Calabasas Peak

Dixie Canyon

Escondido Canyon

Franklin Canyon

Fryman Canyon

Marvin Braude Mulholland Gateway Park

Red Rock Canyon Park

San Vicente Mountain Park

Temescal Gateway Park

Wilacre Park

City of Malibu

Charmlee Natural Area Malibu Bluffs

California State Parks

Pets are not allowed on backcountry trails of Topanga, Malibu Creek, Leo Carrillo and Point Mugu State Parks.

County Line Beach

Leo Carrillo State Park

–On beach and campground only, except between towers 1 & 3

Point Mugu State Park

 On beach and campground only in Sycamore Cove and Thornhill Broome Beach

Will Rogers State Historic Park

-Day-use areas and loop road only

L.A. City Recreation and Park District

Coldwater Canyon Park

Laurel Canyon Park

Runyon Canyon Park

Temescal Canyon Park



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In an emergency, dial 911.

For More Information:

Trail maps and guides are available at the National Park Service Visitor Center. Staff is available to answer questions seven days a week (including most holidays), 9am to 5pm.